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MEMORANDUM FOR THE MEMBERS OF USCIB:

Subject: Appendix I, Parts 1 and 2 of the Hoover Commission
(General Mark Clark) Report.

1. Upon release of the subject report, the Director of Central Intelligence received, under date of 13 June 1955, one copy from Governor Adams, Special Assistant to the President, with the following comments:

"The President has received the classified report of the Hoover Commission Task Force on Intelligence Activities, and has asked me to transmit to you, for consideration by the USCIB and the USCSB, the attached copy of Appendix I thereof.

"The President would like to have a careful review made of the attached Appendix from the standpoint of these two agencies, and to receive the coordinated views of the interested departments with respect thereto within sixty days. These views should include specific comment on each of the recommendations relating to the USCIB and the USCSB, and should indicate those recommendations which it is considered can and should be adopted (indicating for these the method and timing deemed appropriate for placing them in effect); the statement should also indicate any recommendations not considered appropriate for adoption, together with supporting reasons and comment."

2. Upon referral to this office the question of handling of the report was placed before USCIBEC for informal discussion. Upon determination of the fact that the only member agencies in receipt of copies of the report were OSD, NSA, and CIA, USCIBEC agreed that authority to reproduce additional copies should be requested. Such authority was subsequently obtained and a sufficient number of copies has been reproduced to provide one copy for each USCIB member not included in the initial distribution.

3. Accordingly, there is forwarded herewith one copy for each of the following members: Department of State, Army, Navy, Air Force, and Federal Bureau of Investigation.

4. While the specific procedure for obtaining the coordinated views of USCIB has not been determined, members are requested to proceed with their study of the report with the understanding that formal consideration will be scheduled at an early date.

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5. Attention is invited to the fact that the following portions of the report, of particular interest to USCSB, are being referred separately to USCSB for study and comment:

- a. Part 1: Section III (Pages 19-24)
- b. Part 1: Recommendations Nos. 4 and 5 (Pages 50, 51)
- c. Part 2: Section VIII (Pages 16-20)
- d. Part 2: Conclusion No. 11 (Page 35)
- e. Part 2: Recommendations Nos. 8, 9, and 10, and the Special Recommendation (Pages 40-41c)
- f. Part 2: Section XV (Pages 42, 43)

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Acting Executive Secretary, USCIB

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